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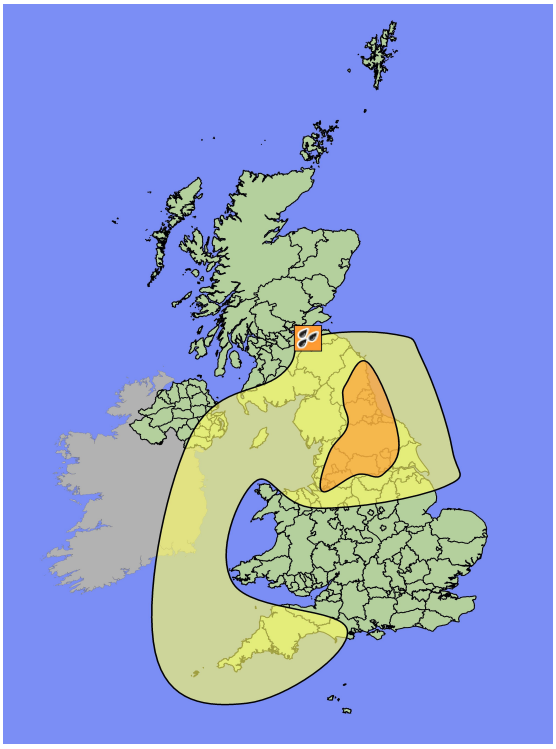

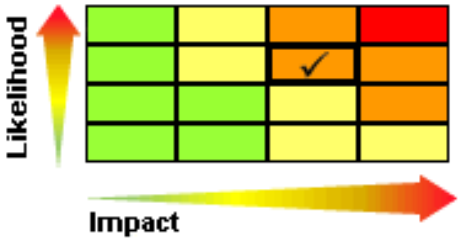

Chief Forecasters Assessment
The complex depression and contorted frontal system will remain slow-moving across parts of Britain on Saturday, bringing further periods of heavy rain. 20 to 40 mm could fall quite widely, and amounts exceeding 60 or even 80 mm are possible within the amber area. Of greater uncertainty are amounts of rainfall across southwestern England, with some available data suggesting that this area may miss out on the worst of the rainfall.

With the ground being saturated in some areas, the amounts of rain mentioned above are likely to cause problems. As is usual in this type of situation there remains uncertainty as to which areas will be worst affected. We hope to firm up on the details as the week goes on so please watch for updates to this Alert.

The Met Office have issued an **Amber Alert** of **Rain**

Valid from **00:05 on Sat, 07th Jul 2012** until **23:55 on Sat, 07th Jul 2012**

A further area of heavy and persistent rain is likely to spread from the east into parts of northern England, south and southeastern Scotland and the east of Northern Ireland. Meanwhile the remains of Friday's heavy rainfall will pivot, to threaten parts of southwest England.

The public should be prepared for surface water flooding, particularly in the Amber area, where there is an increasing likelihood of river flooding, disruption to travel and outdoor activities.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/weather/uk/uk_forecast_warnings.html

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  - Stockton-on-Tees
  - Sunderland
- North West England
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  - Blackpool
  - Cheshire East
  - Cheshire West and Chester
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  - Greater Manchester
  - Halton
  - Lancashire
  - Merseyside
  - Warrington
- Northern Ireland
  - County Antrim
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  - Dumfries and Galloway
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